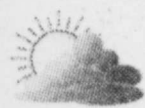


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A little bit country, a little bit punk

Alumnus vies for 'Nashville Star'

By Andy Fahey

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

It can either be a reality television dream or nightmare.

It's a mix of "American Idol" and "The Real World," all in a country music setting, and Cal Poly alumnus Brandon Silveira will be a part of it.

The 2001 crop science graduate will compete on "Nashville Star," an "American Idol"-like competition for which more than 8,000 people nationwide auditioned. The nine-week series will premiere at 9 p.m. Saturday on the USA Network and be broadcast live every Saturday night thereafter.

The general public will decide the show's winner by casting their votes each week. The victor will be awarded a recording contract from Sony Music Nashville and have his or her first album produced by country music icon Clint Black, who is also the show's creative consultant and mentor.

Although it is a country music competition, Silveira does not plan to wear a cowboy hat or Wranglers.

"I'm definitely not your typical country performer," Silveira said, pointing out that his spiked hair and Converse shoes are part of his on-stage presence.

His punk rock appearance is not just evident in his appearance, but his music as well. Whereas Kid Rock was innovative in blending rock with hip-hop, Brandon has mixed punk and country, said Andy Gulley, a first-year general agriculture graduate student and friend of Silveira.

"He's a modern-day punk artist, but with a Hank Williams style," Gulley said. "He found a market that nobody has ever touched before."

Silveira, who has worked with his



COURTESY PHOTO

Cal Poly alumnus Brandon Silveira will be on USA's "Nashville Star."

family's custom farming business since graduation, isn't concerned about which genre his music fits into. When writing and performing songs, some sound more like punk while others come out like country in his self-proclaimed Merle Haggard-like voice.

His diverse style is reflected in his musical influences, which he said

include The Judds, Buck Owens, Hank Williams Sr. and Sublime.

"If something sounds good, I don't care what or who it is," he said.

Silveira's quest to become the next great country artist began in Fresno last November, when he beat 300 competitors, earning him a spot in the

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Poly students seek to land best award

By Chrissy Roth

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Excellence (n.): the state of possessing good qualities in an eminent degree. See virtue or excellency.

This definition will embody this year's winner of the Land Family Quest for the Best Award, which recognizes students who epitomize the core values of excellence as well as stewardship, collaboration, integrity and community.

The Student Life and Leadership department is currently accepting nominations for Cal Poly's most prestigious leadership award.

The award is funded by 1980 business graduate Jeff Land and his wife, Carla.

"(Land) is a person who lives his values and wants students to do the same," said Pat Harris, assistant director of Leadership Education and

Development. "He's really interested in students involved in leadership and community service."

The Land family said they desire students who have achieved the utmost excellence in their abilities to balance academics and community service. Their involvement in community service may be through school, religion or charity.

One student from each of Cal Poly's six colleges and one from student government will receive a monetary award plus a gift.

Of those seven selected students, one will be chosen to receive the Land Family Quest for the Best Award, which will be bestowed upon the student who exemplifies excellence in the campus and community. The winner of this

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Class teaches art of traveling free of charge

By Jenni Mintz

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Think it's impossible to travel to exotic places like Australia or Hawaii for free?

Think again.

If this proposition has evoked excitement, perhaps a class offered by the City of San Luis Obispo Parks and Recreation Department will be of interest.

Instructor and travel agent Dianne Tuttle will teach a class titled "Learn How to Travel Free" March 19 from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

The cost to attend this class is \$25 for residents of San Luis Obispo or \$33.25 for non-residents. The class will be held at the SLO City/County Library Community Room, at 995 Palm St.

Class discussion will include tips on travel safety, new airline regulations, how to get a cheaper fare and how to organize travel groups to fly for free.

The class is open to those 18 and older, said Heather Freebairn, research specialist of Parks and Recreation.

"This class is a good way to enrich the lives of people in our community,"

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Journalists enter the front lines

By Abbey Kingdon

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Caught by artillery and rockets raining down on the streets of Nagorno Kavabakh, she didn't have time to close her eyes. She reached for something, possibly her parents and others safely hidden from the attack in basements, on the stretcher her arms remained outstretched and frozen with shock. She lay unidentified beneath a kerosene lamp in a makeshift hospital — one among many civilian casualties of a territorial dispute.

Intense fighting over land erupted in Nagorno Kavabakh in the early 1990s when the former Soviet Union broke up. Daniel Sneider, a former foreign correspondent for the Christian Science Monitor, was dropped into Nagorno Kavabakh to cover the war.

"War is about human beings, not geo-strategy and big ideas," Sneider said.

Eyewitness accounts like this reported by Sneider might not be possible in the event of a war with Iraq.

"War is about human beings, not geo-strategy and big ideas."

Daniel Sneider

former foreign correspondent

Other sensitive military information about such a conflict, if uncovered by reporters, will not be told free of military censorship.

The U.S. military could enforce restrictions on coverage of any operations, according to the ground rules issued to news organizations by the Pentagon. "If media are inadvertently exposed to sensitive information they should be briefed after exposure on what information they should avoid covering," according to the Pentagon ground rules.

Ground rules apply to embedded journalists — reporters assigned to a troop unit both in the United States and overseas. These journalists will eat when the troops eat, sleep when they sleep and go to the frontlines if fighting should break out.

"I am happy that the Pentagon has given us access to the troops, but it is still a restricted environment," Sneider said. In the past few months, more than 200 journalists spent eight days in "boot camp" in preparation for coverage of the conflict in Iraq, and more than 500 journalists will be embedded.

Journalists traveling with troops receive inoculations and are provided with protective clothing, but are not allowed their own transportation and cannot carry firearms, according to an Editor and Publisher magazine article.

The decision to allow media access to the front lines is a result of criticism toward the Pentagon regarding coverage of the Gulf War and the military intervention in Afghanistan. Eight

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Poly fund-raisers get 'fresh'



BRIAN KENT/MUSTANG DAILY

Art and design seniors Maureen Kolodge and Sarah Uratsu eat at Baja Fresh. Today, 15 percent of all purchases will go to the art and design department when customers present a flier from the department office. Fifteen percent of Thursday's proceeds will be donated to buying food for impoverished families in third world countries through Heifer.

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FRIDAY
High: 66° / Low: 43°

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regional finals in Los Angeles.

Twenty-one performers auditioned in the regional competition, and Silveira was the 19th. After hearing the judges severely critique the previous contestants, Silveira took center stage in front of a crowd of more than 1,000 with an indescribable feeling of nervousness.

"That walk from backstage to the microphone — wow," he said.

But once he started performing, the butterflies in his stomach stopped turning and he got a new mindset.

"Hell with it all, just rock the place,"

he said.

Despite his anxiety, Silveira advanced to the second round of the regional final.

"I could tell he was nervous, but on stage it flowed real natural," Gulley said. "And in the second round, the fear was over and he just rocked the house. Everybody was pumped. A bunch of strangers came up to (Brandon) and said, 'Oh you so won. Congratulations.'"

Though Silveira didn't win the competition, the judges gave him an at-large bid to perform in the finals.

Silveira will compete against and live with 11 other finalists in Nashville, and their lives will be recorded and broadcast in a manner similar to MTV's "The Real World." The producers haven't given him much more information than

that, he said, except that he knows he will be sharing a room with one of the other contestants.

"I really don't know what to expect," Silveira said.

Although he might not know what is to come, he is optimistic about his upcoming experience.

"Even if it's horrible, it's only two months and I'm out of there," he said.

Silveira, who had never performed alone on a large stage before the local competition in Fresno, is one of two finalists without any previous recordings. All the rest of the competitors already have a following, he said.

He didn't really have any experience performing until last May, when he and his friend Curtis Marsh got together and started to write music. Marsh, who had

been a drummer with the now-defunct punk band Second String, came up with the idea for Silveira to try out for "Nashville Star."

Silveira, however, was reluctant to audition.

"I never thought of being a country music singer," he said.

Marsh was able to convince his friend and backed him up on guitar in the Fresno and Los Angeles competitions.

Though a recording contract is at stake, Silveira is not wrapped up in it.

"I think there is an 11 out of 12 chance I won't (win)," he said.

But he also never thought he'd make it this far.

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journalists were killed in 16 days in Afghanistan, Sneider said. Journalists were not allowed access to the military, and often locked in a warehouse when troops were near.

"Any time American men and women are put in harm's way, it is paramount that the U.S. press be witness," former foreign correspondent Robert Wiener said in a Los Angeles Times article.

But after reviewing the ground rules, many news organizations are skeptical that the news coverage will be any better.

The boot camp, the military protection and access to the troops are just a nice public relations spin for the Pentagon, said Michael Winter, assistant national and foreign editor of the San Jose Mercury News.

With the threat of enemy interception, phone lines, radios and satellites will be shut down.

"Technology has changed the rules of war," Winter said.

Timely access to information will also be difficult.

"The military defines what time-

ly means," he added.

Past reporters have been denied access to war events until military officials have "sanitized" the area, a Los Angeles Times article said.

Military rules are made to protect journalists, but the reporters need to keep some distance so as not to cover only stories about "our boys in battle," Sneider said.

Public knowledge about U.S. military action could be censored through the control of information, staff writer David Shaw said in a Los Angeles Times article.

"Reports (will come through) on 'smart bombs,' precise strikes, highly successful missions and minimal civilian casualties," Shaw said.

As a father of three, the image of the little girl with open eyes and out stretched arms never leaves Daniel Sneider, who is skeptical about the current media-military arrangement. Many of the decisions about reporting on sensitive information like civilian casualties are left up to the commander on the field, Sneider said.

"Journalists are entrapped to military perspective," he said.

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award will receive the equivalent of one year of tuition.

"I think this award says the student is highly thought of by the university," Harris said. "They're universally admired. They've gone above and beyond standards."

Social sciences senior Ali Schlageter was last year's winner of the Land Family Quest for the Best Award. Schlageter was the president of Student Community Services last year.

"I'm proud of what I've done," she said. "After seeing what others have done, I now know there's so much more I could (do)."

Schlageter is currently the director of Students for Social Change and is a student assistant in the Women's Center.

"I was very appreciative for the recogni-

tion," she said. "The award was a great motivator to continue the work that I do."

Harris is already accepting nominations for the award. Once students are nominated, they will be asked to write an essay describing their leadership experience and how it reflects the core values in the program.

Winners will be selected by a committee consisting of previous winners, Jeff and Carla Land, community representatives and staff members.

An awards ceremony will be held May 17 to honor all recipients and their mentors.

To nominate a student for the award, send an e-mail to Harris at pharris@calpoly.edu, briefly describing the student's achievements and qualifications. Nominations should also include the student's contact information. The deadline for nominations is March 14. For more information, call Harris at 756-2582.

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Freebaim said. "Most of us like to travel. I'm expecting students to take away from the class just how good the travel industry is. I think people are getting a misconception of the travel agency because of Sept.

11." Tuttle is very enthusiastic about educating others on how to travel for free. She will also discuss how to join her travel group and help other people form their own travel group.

"I love what I do," Tuttle said. "I love to get paid to go on vacation. My mom thinks I should get a real job."

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National Briefs

U.S. foils Iran weapons-smuggling plot, other cases in post-Sept. 11 crackdown

WASHINGTON — Two Taiwanese businessmen have been charged with trying to smuggle U.S.-made weapons to Iran, the latest in a string of illegal arms sales foiled by law enforcement activities increased in the aftermath of Sept. 11.

Federal authorities announced Tuesday that a U.S. grand jury in Baltimore indicted En-Wei Eric Chang, a naturalized American living in Taiwan, and David Chu, a Taiwan resident, on charges they tried to buy early warning radar, Cobra attack helicopters and U.S. spy satellite photos for Iran in violation of U.S. embargoes against that country.

Chu was arrested during a sting operation in Guam, but Chang remains a fugitive, authorities said.

Officials said the indictment resulted from a yearlong arms-smuggling investigation that grew out of a new cooperative program created by U.S. officials after Sept. 11 that encourages American sellers of sensitive military equipment to report suspicious inquiries and sales.

Authorities said the men came to their attention after one contacted a Maryland company about buying satellite images of Tehran.

White House leaves door open to withdrawing U.N. resolution

WASHINGTON — With other nations' opposition hardening, the White House left open the possibility Tuesday that it would not seek a U.N. vote on its war-making resolution if

the measure was clearly headed for defeat.

U.S. troop strength in the Persian Gulf neared 300,000, and President Bush and his advisers were looking beyond the diplomatic showdown in the U.N. to make plans for a public relations buildup to potential war with Iraq.

One option under serious consideration was Bush giving Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein a final ultimatum, perhaps with a short-term deadline, in an address next week, two senior White House officials said.

The officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity, stressed that a variety of options are on the table and all depend on the outcome of a U.N. Security Council debate on the U.S.-backed war resolution. In a new blow, Russia's top diplomat said Moscow may use its veto against the measure.

Scientists find mounting environmental, social, economic effects from drilling in Alaska

WASHINGTON — Oil drilling on Alaska's North Slope over 35 years has disturbed some endangered species and made whaling harder, but it has not caused significant oil spills or a large decline in caribou, a panel said Tuesday.

Oil from the National Petroleum Reserve, an area slightly larger than Minnesota between the Arctic Ocean and the Brooks Range, still accounts for 15 percent of the nation's total production despite reduced output in recent years.

The National Academy of Sciences panel said in a report requested by Congress that development of the reserve since 1968 has produced large social and economic effects — some

positive, such as better schools and health care, and some negative, like increased diabetes and alcoholism.

It said the environmental effects continue to grow despite efforts by the oil industry and regulators to minimize them, including new technologies that have reduced off-road travel and made drilling platforms smaller.

International Briefs

Three Palestinians killed; Israel denies targeting Hamas political leaders

JERUSALEM — Israeli soldiers shot and killed three Palestinians on Tuesday as a senior Israeli security official said a raid on the home of a founder of Hamas did not signal that Israel is targeting leaders of the group for arrest.

When Israeli forces stormed the Bureij refugee camp in Gaza early Monday and arrested Mohammed Taha, 65, a co-founder of the violent Islamic Hamas movement, it was taken to mean that, in a break from past practice, Israel was going after top Hamas political figures in addition to militants who plan and carry out attacks.

However, a security official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Taha was not the target of the operation. Instead, he said, Israel was aiming for his son Ayman, linked to the top Hamas bomb maker.

Mohammed Taha was wounded by gunfire and captured while his five sons were arrested and his house was blown up. The Israeli military said Taha was implicated in terror attacks.

Eight Palestinians were killed in the raid and, for the second day in a row, the U.S. government protested the

increasingly intense Israeli operations. After State Department criticism on Monday, White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said that Israel has the right to defend itself, but added, "We have concerns about actions that go beyond and that bring harm to the innocent, including innocent Palestinians."

Explosion in southern Philippines kills at least 19 including American

MANILA, Philippines — A bomb hidden in a backpack exploded Tuesday at an airport in the southern Philippines, killing at least 19 people, including an American missionary, and wounding nearly 150, authorities said. The government called it a "brazen act of terrorism."

Three Americans were among the wounded. Many of the injured were in serious condition, and officials feared the death toll could rise. The dead included a boy, a girl, 10 men and seven women.

The attack came at a time of debate over the mandate of 1,000 troops the United States has offered to send to the Philippines to help fight another violent Muslim group. The deployment was put on hold after many Filipinos objected to the troops having a combat role.

No one claimed responsibility for the blast at Davao airport on Mindanao island. The military has blamed Moro Islamic Liberation Front rebels for recent violence, including a car-bombing at nearby Cotabato airport last month that killed one woman.

MILF spokesman Eid Kabalu denied his group was responsible. He condemned the attack and said the MILF was ready to cooperate in an

investigation.

Illicit Taiwanese breeders want mute dogs to avoid riling the neighbors

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Pipi's eyes bulge fiercely when strangers approach the Chihuahua in the cramped clothing store where her owner works.

But Pipi doesn't bark. She never barks. She never will.

Her owner, Chen Sheng-hua, suspects the rescued stray's vocal cords were snipped.

Animal rights activists say they frequently find mute dogs that apparently have been dumped by illegal breeders, who are having trouble selling animals in Taiwan's slow economy.

In a crowded place like this island, where most people live in apartments or in densely populated towns, unlicensed breeders are tempted to cut dogs' vocal cords to keep them from disturbing neighbors and attracting the attention of authorities, the activists say.

Animal rights groups say the authorities waited too long before taking steps aimed at holding down a big rise in the numbers of stray dogs, such as neutering dogs and registering pets.

Activists have also criticized the public for buying cute little dogs and then dumping them on the streets when they grow big and old.

Veterinarian Chen Chia-chun says it's extremely rare for dogs to be born mute. He suspects Pipi lost her vocal cords in a new surgical procedure that doesn't leave a scar.

Briefs compiled from The Associated Press wire services by Mustang Daily news editor Andra Coberly.

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Friday, March 7 Foothill Baptist Church, 7pm
Guest speaker Bob Rush of Nipomo First Baptist Church. Children of Light, a praise group from Valley Baptist Church in Bakersfield, will lead the music during the service. Following the service, cobbles and pies will be served.

Music in the Plaza

Saturday, March 8 Mission Plaza, SLO 11am-2pm
Performances by Children of Light of Bakersfield and Lifeway Praise of the Santa Maria Church in the Mall with Don Wilkerson of as the Master of Ceremonies. Booths from Community businesses and organizations, children's craft booth by the Foothill Church and Preschool, and entertainment by local magician and balloonist Professor Brown.

Praise Fest

Saturday, March 8 Foothill Baptist Church, 7pm
Guest speaker Don Wilkerson of Central Baptist Church in Bakersfield. Children of Light will again lead the evening's praise music. Ice cream social following the service.

Sunday Worship

Sunday, March 9 Foothill Baptist Church, 11am
The community is invited to join in worship with the members of the Foothill Baptist Church. The church choir and praise team will lead the music and Pastor Bill Fox will deliver the morning's sermon. The service will be followed by a church luncheon.

For More Information, Contact:

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Proposed bill to repeal FAFSA drug question

By Abra DeGeare

THE DAILY AZTEC (SAN DIEGO STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) SAN DIEGO—What does smoking marijuana, snorting cocaine or popping ecstasy have to do with free money? A lot — especially if you're a student who uses financial aid to pay for college.

Students who have been convicted of buying, selling or possessing an illegal substance may not receive financial aid from the government.

The law has been much controversial since it was passed by Congress in 1998. Since its initia-

tion, more than 45,000 students across the nation have lost their federal aid. In the San Diego State University 2001-02 academic year, 19,600 students applied for financial aid and were admitted to the university. Of those students, 41 had a hold related to a drug conviction.

But reprieve may be around the corner. Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., proposed H.R. 685 — a bill that would repeal the Higher Education Act Drug Provision. There is hope that the bill will pass because there are 39 co-sponsors. However, it will be a tough fight because of current house leader-

ship, said Peter Kovar, media relations for Frank.

SDSU aerospace engineering freshman Fabian Ramirez said he is in favor of the bill Frank proposed, but he said by the time students are in college, they should be smart enough not to do drugs.

Ramirez's thought is similar to that of Mark Souder, R-Ind., republican, who proposed the original law. His original intent of the law was to apply the financial aid ban to those who are convicted of drug violations while they are in college, not before they were enrolled, Souder said, in an article from The Chronicle of Higher Education.

The law that Souder wrote added question 35 to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid form which asks whether the student has "ever been convicted of possessing or selling illegal drugs." If this question is answered "yes," the student is sent a second questionnaire to fill out.

"Just because you have a drug

"I think there is a misconception that if you have a drug conviction, you're automatically ineligible for financial aid — and that's not true."

Chris Collins

SDSU assistant director of financial aid

conviction doesn't necessarily mean that you're ineligible for financial aid," said Chris Collins, assistant director of financial aid. "I think there is a misconception that if you have a drug conviction, you're automatically ineligible for financial aid — and that's not true."

If the student has completed a qualified rehabilitation program — it includes two unannounced drug tests and is recognized by federal, state or local government — they will be able to receive aid. If not, they must add one year to the date of their possession conviction or two years if they had two convictions, and that is when they are eli-

gible for financial aid. After three convictions, they are permanently disqualified from receiving federal aid. If the student has a selling conviction, they must add two years to the date of the first conviction, but are not allowed to receive aid if they have two or more selling convictions.

"I think it sends the wrong signal when we make it harder for lower-income students who have been convicted of minor drug possession crimes to suspend or end their college careers," Frank said in a press release.

Many students and financial aid

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"I think it sends the wrong signal when we make it harder for lower-income students who have been convicted of minor drug possession crimes to suspend or end their college careers"

Rep. Barney Frank
D-Massachusetts

Lawyers: Federal agents may have violated U. Idaho students' rights

By Leif Thompson

IDAHO ARGONAUT (U. IDAHO)

(U-WIRE) MOSCOW, Idaho — The legal rights of international students interrogated last week by the FBI and the Immigration and Naturalization Service may have been violated, a University of Idaho law professor said.

"I just want people to understand that the tactics that were used, that I observed, and that other lawyers in town have observed, were so beyond what was necessary, and in some ways beyond what was legal; and it served to terrorize a whole lot of innocent people," said Monica Schurtman, an associate law professor at the University of Idaho.

Schurtman runs a clinical program in which third year law students work on cases under her supervision. She and her students have served as the legal counsel for many of the international students who were interrogated by federal agents.

Elizabeth Brandt, UI professor of law and board member of American Civil Liberties Union of Idaho, said federal agents interrogated international students after the arrest of Sami Omar al-Hussayen, a 34-year-old computer science doctoral candidate from Saudi Arabia accused of visa fraud and making false statements to the United States.

Brandt said FBI and INS officials threatened to revoke student visas or deport the students.

As a condition to visa status, students are required to answer any INS questions pertaining to immigration-related affairs. International students are entitled to the rights of the fifth-amendment against self-incrimination, Brandt said.

Any person within the United States is not obligated to speak with the FBI unless the FBI has a court order. If the FBI does have a court order, a person still has the right to have an attorney present at their questioning.

They also have the right to have a reasonable amount of time to find an attorney and consult with their attorney during questioning, Schurtman said.

The INS has more legal leverage

over international students.

"The way that immigration law is written right now, if (international students) fail to cooperate with an INS agent and answer questions, which happened with several of our clients, then they can immediately charge (the students) with being in violation of (their) status for failing to talk to INS agents," Schurtman said.

What makes the events at UI different is that the INS worked with the FBI for the interviews.

"What happened in a number of the cases is you had joint teams of INS and FBI agents going around and kind of mixing the immigration questions along with the criminal questions. To the criminal questions, people have a right to exert the Fifth Amendment," Schurtman said.

Brandt said many students were not represented during the Wednesday and Thursday interrogations, and Moscow, Idaho-area attorneys were present for a fraction of the interviews.

Ali Algahtani, a political science graduate student from Saudi Arabia, was interrogated. He believes that the FBI has limited his freedom of speech by interrogating him.

"The FBI just came to my house and try to ask me several questions. What they said actually made me kind of concerned about what I should say in the future. It has sometimes limited your chance to present your view," Algahtani said.

Algahtani said he thinks the United States could deport him for any reason.

"I am really very, very scared these days. It's very scary," he said.

Algahtani also believes his education could be used against him. "We are in a scary situation because, sometimes you will say something related to your field and they will change it and use it against you," Algahtani said.

Algahtani also didn't believe that his right to counsel was respected.

"They asked me a lot of questions. It was more than one hour and a half or two hours they were talking to me. When I asked them to talk with my lawyer they didn't give me my time to say it," Algahtani said.

Monster.com users face false job postings

By Katie Clark

DAILY ILLINI (U. ILLINOIS)

(U-WIRE) CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — University of Illinois engineering sophomore Andrew Wassef posted his resumé on Monster.com a week ago. When asked if he would supply his Social Security number to an employer over the Internet, he said, "I probably wouldn't think a second about it."

False job postings can trick people into revealing Social Security numbers, credit card numbers, or other personal information. Job seekers can give their personal identities away, providing users with the ability to create new checking accounts or credit cards in their names.

Monster.com, a Web site serving employers and job seekers, sent an e-mail Thursday to millions of job seekers regarding this topic.

According to wire reports, Monster.com spokesperson Kevin Mullins said the e-mail, labeled a "critical service message," went out this week to all active users of Monster's main site. He said he does not know exactly how many people received it, but he told The Associated Press that recipients are "definitely well into the millions."

The e-mail warns users that false job postings can be used to "illegally

collect personal information from unsuspecting job seekers," violating Monster's Terms of Use and possibly violating federal or state criminal laws.

Pam Dixon, Research Fellow of the Privacy Foundation, a group that studies consumer privacy issues, said she studied Internet job sites and found many people will unknowingly be hit with "the one-two punch."

"A job ad looks extremely real, and the job seeker responds, giving their Social Security number and date of birth. Then it's all over," Dixon said.

"It's not something you want to start your career with," she added.

Omar Shaikh, engineering sophomore, posted his resumé on Monster.com through the university's career services. Although employers have not yet contacted him, he said he would have given his Social Security number over the Internet if the employer looked reputable.

"I wouldn't really think about it," Shaikh said. "It's kind of a dilemma; you know (it's dangerous), but at the same time, you really want that job."

Dixon said many employers, especially after the Sept. 11, attacks ask for background checks that require a Social Security number. However, it is illegal for employers to do a background check without a "wet signa-

ture," or a real signature on paper.

"There is never a good reason to release (personal information) over the Internet like that," she said.

Some false job postings also ask for information about bank accounts, credit card numbers, height or hair color or other personal information.


No employer should ever ask for that kind of information for any reason, and a date of birth and Social Security number is the only information employers need once they have written permission to do a background check, Dixon said.

Shaikh said his date of birth appears on his resumé, and he also included his Social Security number until someone advised him to remove it.

Monster and its competitors, such as CareerBuilder.com and HotJobs.com, already post information warning of the potential for identity theft and informing users about what they can do to protect themselves from false postings.

Monster's blanket e-mail appears to be the first time one of the big job sites has addressed job seekers directly about such dangers, according to The Associated Press.

"Monster did the right thing telling people about (the dangers)," Dixon said.



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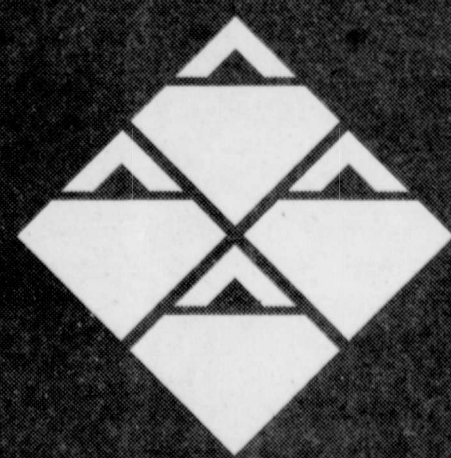
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Local Arts

Ocean is home, muse for well-traveled artist

By Jordan Schultz
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

"Do what you love first for life and do what you love second for your career."

At some point, we've all been fed this sort of phrase, its intention to instill a shred of hope into a disillusioned generation destined for either an unfulfilling life within a corporate cage or its equally unattractive alternative: Poverty.

An unbridled exploration of creativity or the nurturing of individ-

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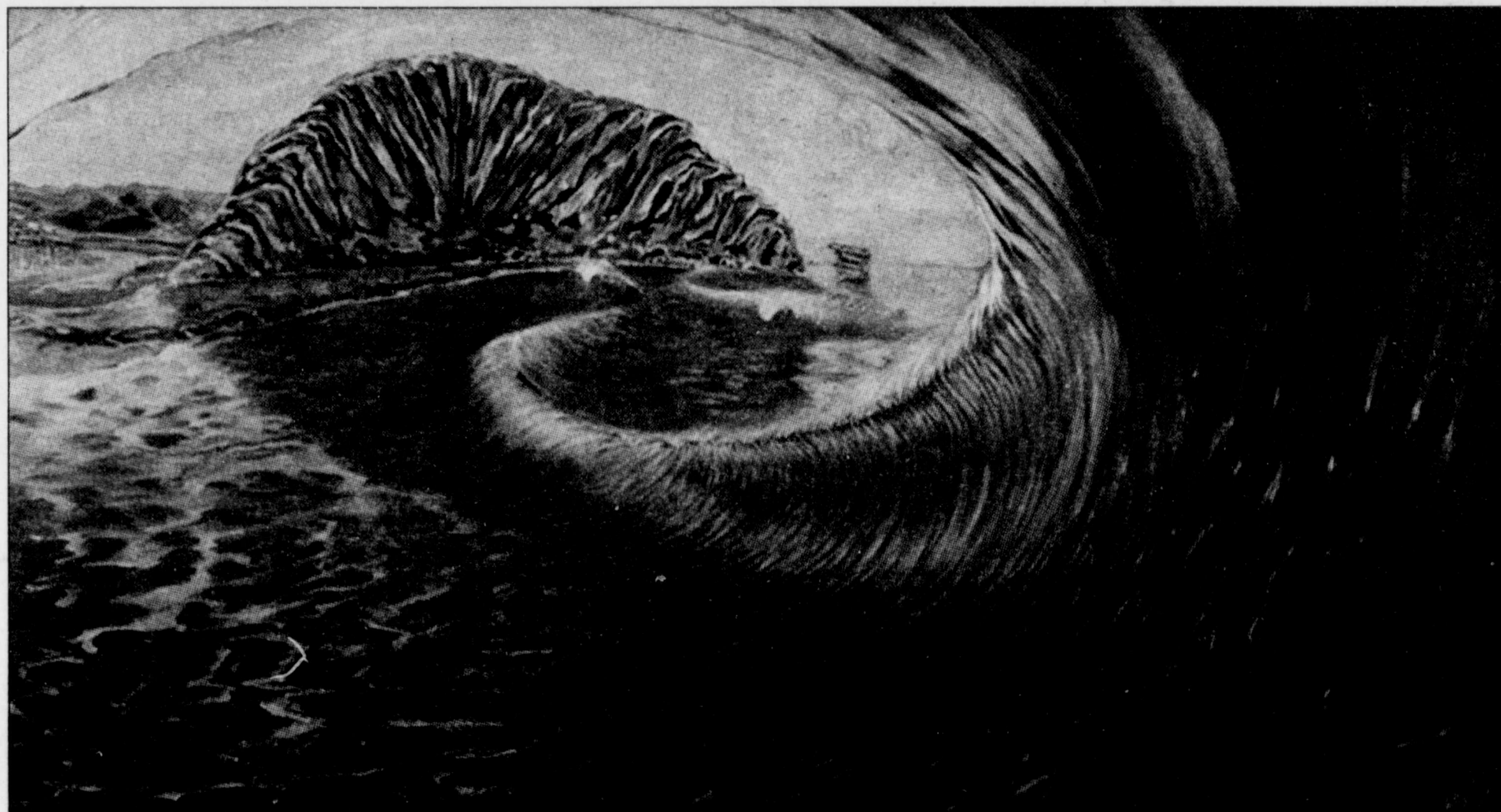
ual talent seldom figures into the American blueprint to success. It is rare that one is able to maintain an existence that respects a delicate balance between monetary prosperity and the fulfillment of lifelong passions.

Christian Enns is one of the lucky few, rejecting the default option of the typical 9 to 5 job and opting instead for a lifestyle of profitable creativity.

Capitalizing on his love for surfing, filmmaking, world travel and his talent as an artist, the 28-year-old has painted himself a lifestyle most would describe as perfect.

On a typical day, Enns wakes up in his Morro Bay home, has a cup of coffee with his wife and heads out for his daily surf session. At about 9:30 a.m., he retires to his studio downstairs, which is littered with oil paintings of intense color rivaling the vibrancy of the unique locations he tries to capture.

Perhaps today he will crystallize on canvas the amazing wave he witnessed earlier this morning, or maybe he will work to recreate an amazing landscape still etched in his memory from a trip to Kauai last week. There is no shortage of inspiration for subjects; Enns has traveled around the world nearly three



CHRISTIAN ENNS/COURTESY PHOTO

'Rock Tube' takes its inspiration from Enns' backyard, Estero Bay. This painting acrylic on canvas piece measures 9 feet by 4 feet.

times, and his paintings recreate a travel diary for the beauty he's seen.

Enns' interest in art began when he was in junior high school and a teacher's positive comments on Enns' unique artistic style served as encouragement.

"From my first painting, I knew it was something that I really enjoyed, so I started painting on my own," he said. "I've stuck with it ever since."

However, painting was not the only activity in which Enns showed promise. At 14, he won the West Coast Championships for surfing, and by 17 he had won two divisions at Nationals. Soon after, he joined the professional circuit and began traveling to places like Brazil, Japan and Hawaii for surfing contests.

This open-ended travel provided Enns with the opportunity to explore other cultures and create a stockpile of paintings depicting images he encountered around the world.

"The energy of each individual location he has traveled to really comes through in his paintings," said Nicole Enns, Christian's wife. "You can really see that every place instills a different feeling."

Christian Enns
Artist

▼ *"I like there to be a little bit of randomness and a sense of freeness in my work..."*

Enns spent about seven years on the professional surfing circuit.

"You have to sacrifice your entire life for surfing to be on the pro tour," he said. "It was constant competition — everyone is always waiting to see you fail. I saw the guys that made the money and how much they needed that win. Surfing is so much more than that for me. I didn't want to spoil that."

The transition from pro surfer to artists was a relatively smooth one.

Enns has received a tremendous amount of support for his work and has been able to establish clientele through art shows and local exposure in restaurants and surf shops.

"I feel like I am at the forefront

of the contemporary art movement of the Central Coast," Enns said. "My interpretations are vibrant and free, and I think this has generated a really positive response."

The Morro Bay Surf Company commissioned Enns to create a mural on the side of the shop, which co-owner Anthony Randazzo said has definitely attracted customers.

"Chris' art is in a class of its own," Randazzo said. "I've seen a lot of art traveling around the world, but Chris' truly comes from the soul. It just gives you this special feeling. You can look at his paintings for hours and just notice new and different things you might not have seen before. It's like you can't get enough. Your eyes just drink it up."

Rich, spooling colors and waves are common themes in Enns' paintings.

"The wave is my church ... sort of my link to spirituality," he said. "It definitely has an energy and I really tune in to that."

In the past, a typical art show for Enns came in the form of an 800-



BEN ANDREWS/COURTESY PHOTO

'Fish stories.' Christian Enns off the shore of Montana de Oro.

person kegger.

The party atmosphere was the perfect atmosphere to showcase his paintings and surf films to friends and acquaintances, but yielded little income.

Taking into consideration the advice of his business manager, Enns has recently decided to change his approach in order to attract a more affluent clientele.

Enns said it is often a struggle to balance sales and style.

"I like to let there be a little bit of randomness and a sense of freeness in my work," he said. "I know images that have sold in the past, but I have to sacrifice that to do something new. You have to go with your dream so that you can wake up every day and be amped. I don't want to sell out."

A custom original by Enns ranges from \$600 to \$1,000.

Enns' biggest dream at this point is to break into a large gallery and gain worldwide exposure. He would also like to have his artwork featured in Surfer's Journal.

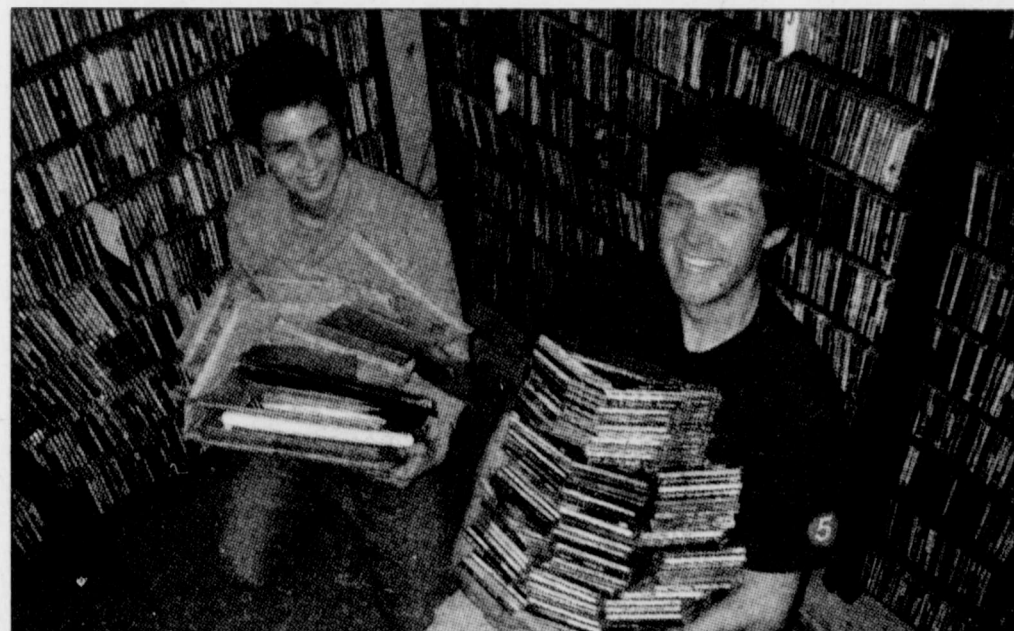
"At age 60, I would like to say that I am a multifaceted guy," he said. "I could say I have done my own films, sold tons of paintings and touched the world with art. I would hope it just keeps getting better and better."



CHRISTIAN ENNS/COURTESY PHOTO

The medium is the message. Left, 'Spiral Dreams' is oil on canvas, while above, 'Summer Solstice' utilizes mixed media. Right, 'Lone Palm' is oil on concrete, applied to the walls of a hotel in La Ticla Mexico. Enns painted murals in several rooms in the building.





BRYAN DICKERSON/MUSTANG DAILY

KCPR music directors Adam Leff and Paul Sittig sort through 100 to 200 CDs each week. Stuff they like makes it to the airwaves.

Making beautiful music choices together

By Chris Welke
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

It's Monday afternoon and once again Adam Leff and Paul Sittig have their hands full, a large box of CDs to listen to and a pile of other chores.

The pair of fifth-year seniors are KCPR's music directors.

Each week, it is their job to sort through a volume of new music and decide what will receive airplay. Their volunteer efforts require up to 20 hours per week and a skilled ear for music. The two must select anywhere from 10 to 200 new albums, depending on the week.

"We don't listen to every single minute of it," said Leff, an economics major. "We sort of skip through tracks and just try to get a feel for each one (album)."

Record promoters and record labels send new CDs to KCPR in hopes that their artist will get some play on the station. Each new CD is reviewed by Sittig and Leff and filed under "rejects" or "currents."

The rejects get shelved and the currents get put into rotation. These albums are logged into a database to remind Leff and Sittig what they thought of the CD and how much playtime it got.

This is done often, since promoters call asking them if their artists' CDs are getting airtime. These phone calls are often time-consuming.

"Some (record promoters) are a lot nicer about it, some of them can be big jerks," said Sittig, a landscape architecture student. "They're like used car salesmen."

Leff said some of the promoters try to bribe them with free concert tickets, an illegal practice and something most directors would never do. Promoters also push particular tracks on a given album.

Sittig said the promoters tell them which tracks to play, but the "hit-song" requests are ignored. What gets played is entirely at their discretion, along with the individual DJs.

Once a CD is tagged as current, it goes into a stack of about 100 such albums. DJs at KCPR are required to play six tracks off the current list every hour. Which six tracks get played is completely up to the DJ. So long as they play the currents, DJs can then select any track they want from KCPR's voluminous selection of compact discs and vinyl.

"(Leff and Sittig) both have a very tough job," said Justin Robinson,

KCPR DJ and host of "Slaytanic Carnage," a hardcore music show. "I admire the hours they put into the station. We get 100 CDs each week and they pick 10 or 20 to add. Not only what they think are good, but ones that'll fit into KCPR's format."

That format is to provide a forum where the general public can hear artists outside the mainstream. KCPR doesn't carry advertising, so

they are not bound by the ratings juggernaut that forces commercial stations to play top-40 and feature charismatic hosts.

Adam Leff

KCPR Music Director

"As far as commercial radio, anything you hear too many times just hurts," Leff said. Part of their job is to monitor what DJs are playing so they can ensure that a variety of music gets played, he said.

On Tuesdays, Leff conducts a meeting with the DJs. He shows them the new current albums, plays some tracks off of each and describes them in detail.

They have as many terms to describe music as a mechanic has to describe engine parts. For instance, at the meeting, Leff shows the DJs the first new current music from James Chance that he describes as "no-wave avant-garde '70s punk off-shoot with experimental performance art that inspired such bands as 'Sonic Youth' with a late-'70s funk influence."

Most others would just call it '70s funk.

Sittig describes "Rain Maria" as a whiny, indie, emo-punk band with more rock sounds, but not like Weezer.

"The reason we're required to play new stuff is because that's how we get new records," Leff said. "Because we play new music and get it out there and get it played, labels and promoters keep sending us stuff that they know will get aired."

But there are still administrative tasks to take care of.

"The rest of it (the job) is a lot of housekeeping," Leff said. "We spend a lot of time on the phone and answering e-mails."

Both Leff and Sittig are emphatic about their jobs, but neither wants to pursue a radio career. They prefer the low-pressure environment of non-profit radio.

"If I could do this job and get paid for it, I'd do it for the rest of my life," Leff said.

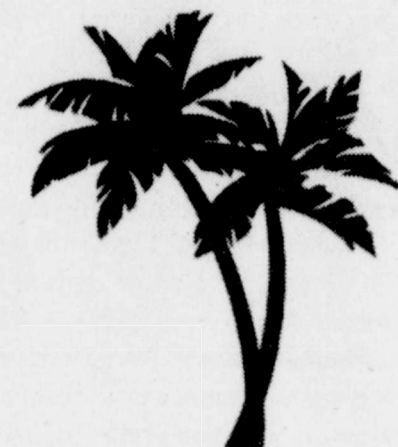
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The ins and outs of dealing with ADD

Q: Sometimes I have a hard time paying attention in class. Could I have Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD)? How do I find out if I do and what can I do about it?

A: Identifying ADD can be tough, especially this late in life. ADD screening and treatment at the elementary school level is much more prominent now than it was when we were youngsters. Consequently, many of today's college students could be running around with this disorder and not even know it. Thankfully, tons of literature and help is out there to help you decide if you show signs of ADD and what kind of treatments would work best for you.

Identification: Contrary to popular belief, ADD does not have to be accompanied by hyperactivity. People with ADD are often times passed off as daydreamers who just don't care to pay attention.

According to the Attention Deficit Disorder Association Web site, one of the greatest indicators of ADD is inconsistency. A person with ADD may



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show the ability to "hyper-concentrate" in areas of interest to them, and then have a really hard time focusing or remembering details they find uninteresting.

So, your ability to remain glued to the TV during the half-hour episode of the new "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle" series (9:30 a.m. Saturday mornings - don't miss it!), does not negate the fact that your subsequent lack of concentration in

your Calculus class may be attributed to ADD.

You also need to look at situations outside school to determine if you might have ADD. This disorder affects every area of one's life, not just the classroom. If you find yourself having a hard time following directions, missing details or jumping into projects or tasks without adequate planning, you might have ADD.

The Cal Poly DRC does not offer screening for this disorder; however, they can refer you to some doctors that can conduct the appropriate tests. Many times, insurance covers these screenings, so talk to your doctor if you feel the need to be tested. Once you are diagnosed with ADD, the DRC can provide a number of resources for you to help manage your disorder and function at your top performance consistently in the classroom.

Treatment: There has been a lot of controversy surrounding the treatment of ADD. Many feel like the disorder is over diagnosed and medication is being prescribed like candy. Others feel like the medication changes a person's personality, and therefore would rather deal with the symptoms in a more holistic manner.

Stimulants like Ritalin, Dexadrine and Adderall are often prescribed to help temper the affects of ADD. According to add.org, about 95 percent of people who have ADD and receive a stimulant medication benefit from it.

ADD is a neurobiological disorder that is related to a chemical imbalance in the brain. Stimulants act as a way to regulate that imbalance to improve symptoms. However, a comprehensive treatment program is necessary to fully combat ADD. This treatment includes teaching organizational, study, memory and time management skills along with personal awareness of how you learn best.

To adequately diagnose ADD, one must seek professional help. However, by looking at all areas of your life, you can identify warning signs that should prompt you to seek this medical attention. However, just because you hate English and can't pay attention to a poetry reading, or find yourself with a two-week maximum attention span when it comes to relationships doesn't mean you have ADD.

Sara Howell is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily columnist.

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Letters to the editor

Christians engage others in thoughtful debate

Editor,

This is in response to Matt Christenson's letter "Not everyone needs the same faith" (Feb. 25). He maintains it is wrong to "spill your beliefs ... who are you to tell me I need to hear it?" I disagree.

Daniel Taylor, professor at Bethel College, puts it well: "Should no one try to convince anyone to be and believe anything but what he or she was born into? Are feminists and environmentalists equally wrong to evangelize? Is not spreading to others the truth as one sees it a sign of respect and sensitivity? If I have a life-saving medicine and don't share it, I am selfish and properly condemned. What am I to do if I believe I have a life-saving message?"

Furthermore, I ask, is not the sharing of ideas and beliefs a vitally necessary aspect of education? That's how we learn and grow. My question is, who are you to tell me not to speak what I believe to be true?

I do understand, however, that there is an appropriate manner in which to engage others in thoughtful dialogue, a manner which many Christians unfortunately fail to grasp. But this problem is not unique to one ideological camp - we all have room to improve in showing respect and care for one another. Please don't fault a whole community due to the shortcomings of some.

Lastly, seems a lot more than you think is taken by a certain amount of faith. Not blind faith, but reasonable faith. The kind of faith I have in God.

Daniel Fogal is a philosophy sophomore who loves to think for himself - AND listen to others - about the many questions of life.

Letter writer displayed hypocrisy

Editor,

I am writing in response to Christina Lynn Seehof's letter ("Some students need to grow up," Feb. 24). In the beginning you wrote an acceptable and to the point letter, with accurate statements like "Some uneducated, disrespectful people" and "the immaturity really shined through." But what happened at the end? "Unless you are a white, Republican, upper-middle class, drunk fraternity member on campus, you are not considered a person." Hmmm.

Michael DeSpenza is a mechanical engineering sophomore.

Students should get smart about traffic problems

Editor,

I am appalled with the assumptions and solutions to the parking problems given by Michael Abendroth in "Parking lot lurkers not the problem" (Feb. 26).

The fact of the matter is that parking is limited for a reason. Fortunately, we are not in Los Angeles, where cars rule the road. Rather, we are in a small city where personal vehicle transportation is not required.

It is obvious that waiting vehicles are a hazard to pedestrians. A person walking through the lot is bound to get run over if a driver darts to a spot opening up down the row. Safety measures, such as warnings and the threat of citations, will help to reduce that risk. Abendroth suggested cutting down trees to make a waiting lane - wow! you're in the wrong community.

Finally, the Cal Poly Police do not profit by handing out tickets to people. It's time to realize that the police are here to protect us and enforce the laws of the state and this university. Don't get mad at them for doing their job.

A better solution is for people to get smart. The majority of the cars I pass on my bike only have one passenger in them. It's time for students to adapt to the San Luis Obispo lifestyle. Maybe you'll find it as convenient as I have.

The town and university pride themselves with being progressive and ahead of the times. Let's prove that with

meaningful solutions to our current parking nightmare.

Dan Weiss is a city and regional planning sophomore.

No evidence egging was a 'hate crime'

Editor,

This letter is a plea to the Cal Poly community to be careful about their rash conclusions that the egging of the GLBU booth was a "hate crime." In June 1998, in Texas, three men offered a ride to a black man who walked with a limp. After beating the victim to death, they dragged him behind their truck until his body was partially dismembered. At the University of Wyoming, a 21-year-old homosexual student died after he was beaten and tied to a fence. In 1994 in Florida, a group of black men beat a man to death while shouting racial slurs to nearby witnesses. These crimes have been classified by the federal government as "hate crimes" because officials spent countless hours collecting undeniable evidence. Although "Hate crimes" are not limited to murder, since when did egging, toilet papering and putting Vaseline on someone's door handles become "hate crimes?"

Show me some evidence of the egg throwers' motivation to deter the free exercise or enjoyment of any rights or privileges secured by the Constitution or the laws of the United State of California. Until then, remember the importance of Sept. 11, and don't belittle events like that by crying "hate crime" without any evidence. Just a thought.

Daniel Iverson is an aerospace engineering junior who has grown out of his T.P. stage because he can't afford to waste the toilet paper any more.

An apology to GLBU and an admonition to egg throwers

Editor,

Since no one else has had the courtesy to stand up, I fear the responsibility falls upon me. To the members of the GLBU: I am sorry. I am sorry for my fellow students who find discrimination amusing. I am so sick of hearing about all the prejudices and stereotypes on this campus. No person should be subject to that sort of behavior whether they are black, white, brown, red, green, yellow, homosexual, heterosexual, tall, short, fat, thin, liberal, conservative, Christian or atheist.

To those who took part in this "hate" crime, I have some questions for you. How low can you go? What did you get out of it? Are your egos bigger? Did you get to brag to your friends that you threw eggs at innocent people, people like you and me? How dare you think you're better than any other person out there. These are your fellow students, your peers, your future doctors, lawyers and politicians.

We here at Cal Poly are supposed to be the educated, the intelligent and the future leaders of America. If the future of America is destined to be prejudiced and closed-minded, then we have some serious problems.

Lesley Raé Veldstra is a nutrition freshman, and also a white Republican who is a (sober) member of a sorority.

Duct tape photo worked well

Editor,

In my four and a half years at Poly, never have I seen such a simple and brilliantly sarcastic photo to grace the pages of the Daily. I'm speaking of course of the photo illustration of a girl "protecting" herself with duct tape. Thanks to the vigilance of Mustang Daily, I shall make sure to carefully craft a duct tape shelter under my desk before the start of each class until our current Orange Alert is over.

Daniel Gonzales is an architecture senior and Mustang Daily photographer who wishes he could take credit for the aforementioned photo.

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Murderer deserves same health care as every other American

Should a murderous, heroin-addicted prostitute receive a liver transplant at taxpayer expense?

You bet she should.

Carole Joy, 49, is serving a life sentence at the Nebraska Correctional Center for Women in York, Neb. She is also dying of liver disease. Doctors told Joy if she gets her weight under control, she could be put on a waiting list for a new liver.

Commentary

Joy was convicted in 1983 of robbing, sexually assaulting and murdering another prostitute in Omaha. She beat her victim to death with a tree branch and left the body in a ditch.

By advocating her treatment, I join a minority of supporters. According to an Internet poll conducted by Omaha's KETV, 86 percent of respondents said Joy should not be put on a waiting list for the transplant. Have they no compassion?

"I can't blame nobody but myself," Joy told

KETV. She said the liver disease was brought on by years of alcohol and heroin addiction. She is now a model prisoner who mentors some of the younger inmates.

Taxpayers will foot the bill for the complicated procedure, which usually costs around \$500,000. Joy is entitled to this benefit because of a U.S. Supreme Court ruling from 1976 that gives prisoners a constitutional right to equal medical care.

But equal to whom?

It's not so much that I want Joy to get the transplant she needs; it's more that I think everyone deserves quality medical care, no matter who they are. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 41.2 million Americans in 2001 had no health insurance. This is not what I call equality. This discrepancy gives prisoners an advantage over America's lower class. That needs to change.

When it comes to choosing who's added to a transplant list, and the even more delicate task of selecting who gets the transplant, the

Yeah, I'm sure back in the early 1980s, Joy sat around shooting heroin and turning tricks with dreams of someday destroying her liver.

worst thing we can do is choose based solely upon character. Doctors don't do this, and neither should we.

"We looked into our hearts and thought about what we were supposed to be doing," said Dr. Alan Langnas, head of transplants at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, to KETV. "We're supposed to be an advocate for patients and not pass judgment."

J.D. Piland wrote in the Northern Star (the Northern Illinois University newspaper) that Joy doesn't deserve treatment because she is a prisoner, not like the rest of us, and "she brought on the disease willingly."

Yeah, I'm sure back in the early 1980s, Joy sat around shooting heroin and turning

tricks with dreams of someday destroying her liver. Joy's critics seemed to have missed the bigger issue here: All Americans deserve medical treatment that prolongs and increases the quality of life.

Are prisoners more deserving of adequate health care than the poor?

No way.

In a modern society, every individual should be able to receive the care of a qualified doctor. It shouldn't matter whether you're a toothless crack smoker, a Wall Street bigshot or both. I'll take a fresh serving of piping-hot equality, please!

Chris Welke is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer.

More letters to the editor

Stereotypes work both ways

Editor,

This is in response to the letter published in Monday's Mustang Daily regarding the assault on the GLBU booth ("Some students need to grow up," (Feb. 24). I'm sure most of Cal Poly's students and faculty will agree with the writer that all should be given the respect they deserve, no matter their ethnicity, sexual orientation, background, religion or social affiliation.

Your comments were a lot to take in on a Monday morning seeing that I was still working off my hangover from a crazy Sunday night of C-SPAN and drunken fraternity debauchery. But please don't hold that against me, because even though I am a ... wait how did you state it, "white, Republican, upper middle-class drunken frat boy," don't I deserve the same respect for my individual differences that you do? Or is it not possible for a minority to discriminate against the "supposed" majority?

Your letter was flawless until you did the one thing you were pleading against; you stereotyped me for my choices and background, even though you have no clue who I am. You have just as much right to make those comments as those idiots did who egged your booth.

So let's dispel the myth that hate is a one-way street, and have all sides meet in the middle.

Scott Jones is an architecture junior and Matt Strom is a business junior. Both are white, Republican, upper middle-class frat boys ... and possibly intoxicated at this time.

Solid proof for war still needed

Editor,

I would fully support a U.S. attack in Iraq once solid proof is shown.

Saddam, his family and his entire regime are dangerous people. However, the current basis for the attack is that Iraq is developing weapons that are banned by the United Nations.

For anyone who thinks the ominous aluminum tubes which Bush claims would be uranium enriched and used as a nuclear device are actually so, look at the page 42 article in the Feb. 10 issue of Newsweek. It states the International Atomic Energy Agency and the chief U.N. nuclear inspector have both found that those tubes are not of nuclear grade.

And to Casey Comstock and Paul Mason ("War serves to protect American lives," Feb. 27), who use the horrific, tragic, and cowardly attacks of Sept. 11 as justification to invade Iraq, you are wrong. If you look at the facts, the majority of people who were responsible for the attacks, both directly and indirectly (financial backing), were either Saudi Arabian or Afghani.

So if the United States wants to remove Saddam and his comrades from office, change the justification. Use Saddam's numerous civil rights violations against his own people and prisoners of war from the Irani-Iraqi war and the Gulf War.

Solomon Sheikh is a mechanical engineering freshman.

Don't be a sheeple

Editor,

My friend made a design of a sheep with human feet, branded with a bar code. He calls it "sheeple" (or sheople maybe?).

Most of us have experienced sheeple in our life, or even likelier been one ourselves. For instance, the other day I was making for a bus downtown when the driver decided to take off anyway. I caught him at the stop but, after an exchange of confused arm waving, learned he wouldn't open the door for me. Some minor liability hav-

ing to do with curb heights, but being well over six-feet tall I would have had no problem stepping on. Most amusing were the sheep-like gazes of the passengers during the whole incident.

After waiting for the next bus, I almost witnessed the same thing happen from the inside. I yelled that someone was coming, and lo and behold the bus driver was swayed and opened the door at the same stop where I was denied half an hour before. The guy was pretty short too.

Don't be a sheeple. I've been seeing a lot of sheeplistic attitudes conveyed in this newspaper, whether it be blind support for Bush just because he's "doing something" or poorly researched anti-war articles that show the writer is really only jumping on a bandwagon rather than stating something unique and important. Decide for yourself what's really going on in every issue, which may involve finding out some things your sheltered minds didn't want to know. Or you might find yourself made into a T-shirt made of 100 percent sheeple-brand cotton.

Alex Woolery is a mechanical engineering senior.

Only universal just is protecting life

Editor,

Casey Comstock's letter "War serves to protect American lives" (Feb. 27) exemplifies what is the most troubling aspect of the debate over war with Iraq. Casey assumes that because she was five miles from the World Trade Center on Sept. 11 that she has some special insight and more moral authority than those around the world who "saw it on TV." President Bush used the same argument in his speech Wednesday, then goes on to say, "The threat to peace does not come from those who seek to enforce the just demands of the civilized world; the threat to peace come from those who flout those demands." So because Bush's "skies and cities" were violated and because Casey was so close to the World Trade Center, their demands for war are just?

The only universal just is to protect the sanctity of human life (sorry, PETA animals don't count); to believe otherwise is to ignore thousands of years of history in which "just," "moral" and "holy" wars have only increased the injustice against human life. By the way, what the hell is the "civilized world"? I guess France, Russia, Germany, China, Japan, Mexico and the majority of the people on our planet aren't "civilized." Are Arabs especially uncivilized? As far as I'm concerned, George Bush can take his "civilization" and shove it; there is nothing civilized about undermining personal freedom and the rule of law here or anywhere around the world.

Mac McClenahan is a physical and social science senior.

Show some respect for non-Christians too

Editor,

I have seen a rash of letters sent into the Daily recently vehemently defending Christianity. They obviously do not appreciate having their deeply held beliefs attacked by others. All that most non-Christians on this campus ask is that they show the same respect for our beliefs. Whether intended or not, Christians are not only attacking belief systems important to others; not by saying that they are flawed but by telling us that they are fundamentally and morally wrong and that because of them we shall suffer eternal torment or be denied entry to heaven. In "Letter misrepresented Christians, groups" (Feb. 27), Andre Niesing says a cult is a group of people "characterized by unorthodox spiritual rituals and beliefs." If this is your definition, then at least the evangelists of Christianity can be considered cultists as their belief that only Christians are morally right is certainly unorthodox. Every other major religion believes that their religion is right but none consider others to be morally

wrong. Jews believe that those who live well are morally good; Muslims believe in peace and surrender to the will of God, whatever his name; Hindus believe that in a way all belief systems are similar to theirs; Wiccans believe that avoiding harm is the way to moral rightness, and the Buddhists, well, Buddhists really don't care because life is suffering anyway. All I am really trying to say here is think about others before you try to "save" them, and try to be considerate.

Brandon McHargue is a computer science junior, a Neo-Pagan and part-time philosopher.

Mystery meat mark-up benefits school

Editor,

Campus food sucks. Having to eat campus food everyday is horrible. Not only is the food unhealthy and gross, but it is also expensive. Most of the foods are fatty, and are made with countless oils and other greases. Just this past week I went to the Lighthouse for breakfast, and I ordered the "breakfast meat." This meat had the texture of chicken, looked like a hamburger patty and tasted like ham. To force students to eat food like this, and pay the high prices of \$6.60 for breakfast, lunch, late night and \$7.70 for dinner is outrageous. The school meal plan is another way for the school to make money off the students.

Granted, all students must eat and there are ways for students to eat healthy, but what about being healthy? Students can get a healthy sandwich at Sandwich Factory for lunch, but who wants to stand in a line for a half an hour? One can get a salad at Lighthouse or V.G.'s (Vista Grande) but why should students be subject to pay so much money for a salad? Most items sold on campus can be purchased at a grocery store for a fraction of the price. It is totally unfair for the school to take advantage of students like this, and to make every single person living on campus buy a meal plan. Students living on campus should have the option to not purchase a meal plan, because they're forced to spend money on outrageously expensive products.

Marcus Schultz is an animal science freshman.

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administrators say drug convictions should not be a reason to deny financial aid, especially since people who commit other crimes are not held to the same criteria.

SDSU biology junior Nassera Saidani said it is not fair that students who have drug convictions are penalized, whereas other students with different convictions are not.

The new law puzzled financial aid administrators because they did not understand the intent of the law.

"It was a controversial measure when it was passed," Collins said. "What financial aid administrators didn't understand was 'what does this have to do with financial aid?'"

Some aid administrators questioned the reasoning behind singling out students with drug convictions as the only crime used to penalize students, Collins said. They pointed out there is no similar law for students who committed crimes like murder, child molestation or rape, he said.

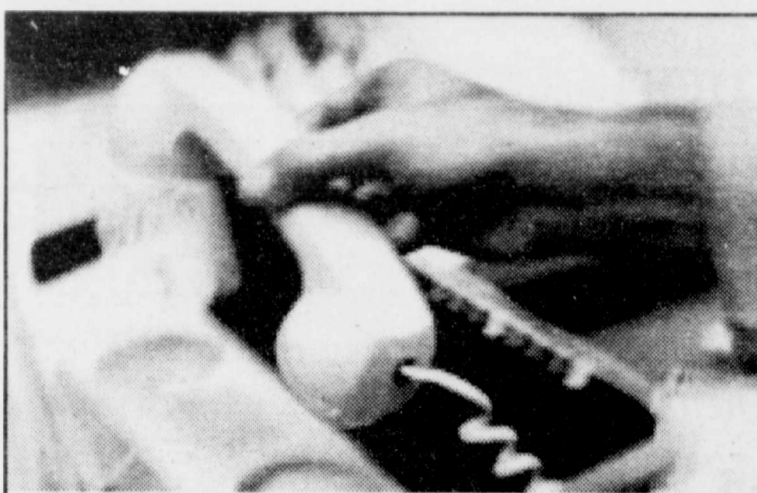
"I think there has been a lot of controversy, and I think that's one of the reasons that the new bill has been introduced by Frank to repeal the law, because many people disagree with its intent," Collins said.

If a student is denied financial aid and does not have other means of paying for school, there is a chance they will not attend college and may never return, Kovar said.

At SDSU, of the 41 students with holds on financial aid, nine attended classes during the 2001-02 academic year.

"Everyone deserves a second chance, and it shows effort if they are trying to go to a college," Saidani said.

Frank is not the only proponent of the bill — organizations such as Students for Sensible Drug Policy, the National Education Association, the NAACP, the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators and more than 100 colleges and university student governments support the repealing of the question from the FAFSA form.



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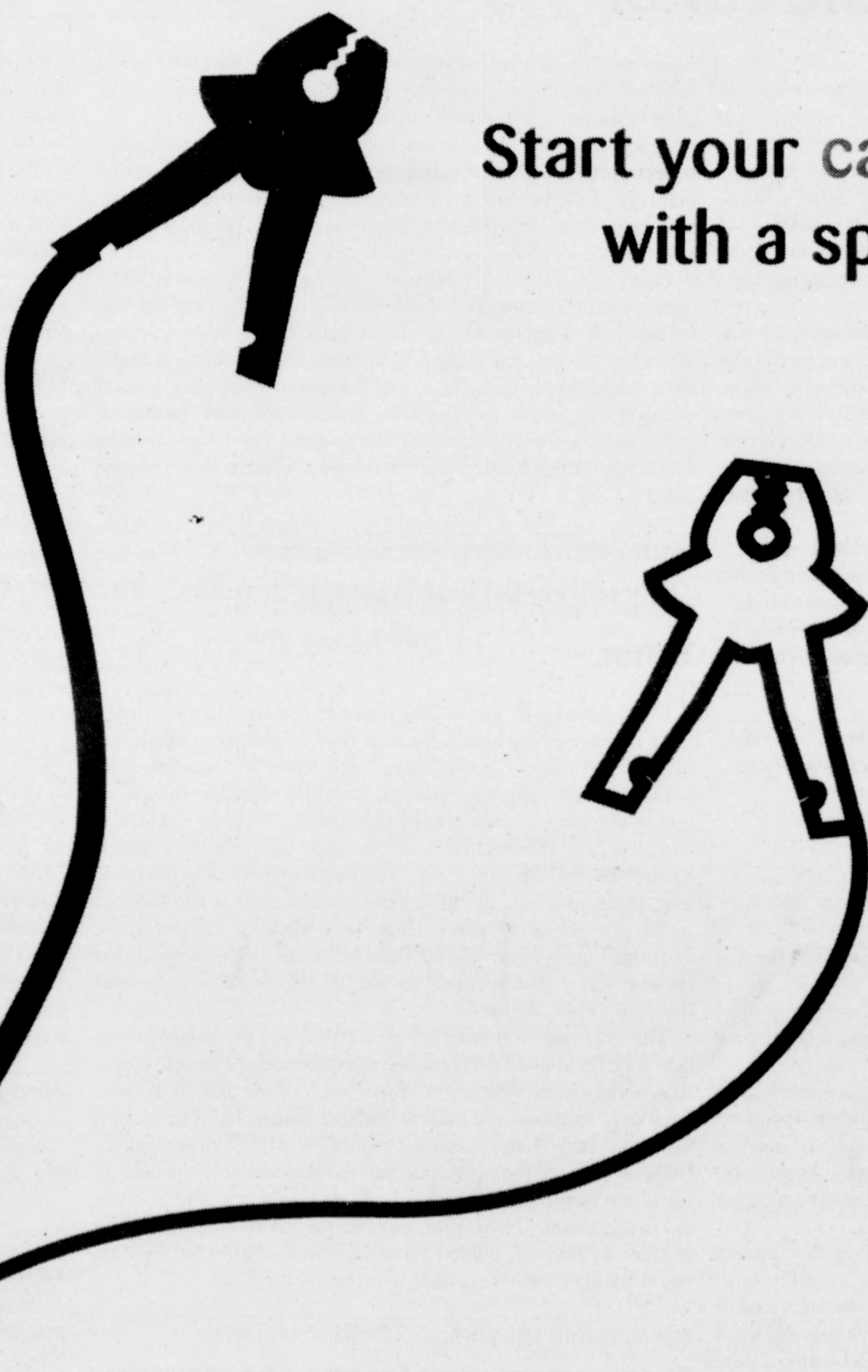
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he wasn't finished. After going 128 at bats without a homer, Herbert hit his second blast just six innings later, a solo shot in the eighth which gave the Mustangs a 9-5 lead.

Santa Clara scored once in the bottom of the eighth, but sophomore right-hander Dennis LeDuc secured the final four outs for his first save.

Sophomore right-hander Andrew McDaniel (1-1) pitched five innings for the second straight weekend and allowed one run and six hits with no walks and two strikeouts.

Taillon had a double and two singles, driving in one run for Cal Poly. Second baseman Adam Leavitt and designated hitter Alex Chavarria each added a pair of hits as Cal Poly outhit Santa Clara, 12-9.

Santa Clara head coach Mark O'Brien, a former Cal Poly assistant coach, was ejected in the fifth inning after a close play at first base.

First baseman Kyle Wilson, who entered the series mired in a 1-for-21 slump, went 5-for-11 in the series with four RBIs, bumping his average up 42 points to .260. He had at least one hit in each game of the series.

Leavitt went 6-for-11 in the series while

Herbert was 5-for-12 with six RBIs. Chavarria had a 5-for-13 weekend in front of numerous family members and friends, as he is an Archbishop Mitty High and DeAnza College graduate.

On Saturday, Santa Clara rallied from 6-2 and 10-6 deficits to beat Cal Poly 11-10 at Buck Shaw Stadium.

The Broncos scored four times in the bottom of the fifth inning to erase the first four-run deficit and, after Cal Poly regained the upper hand with a pair of runs in the sixth and seventh innings, erupted for five runs in the bottom of the eighth for the win.

Cal Poly was retired in order in the ninth by Patrick Overholt, Santa Clara's fifth pitcher of the game.

Santa Clara outhit Cal Poly 16-12 and took advantage of two Mustang errors. The final error allowed the winning run to score in the bottom of the eighth.

Two players — Leavitt and Santa Clara centerfielder Jack Headley — were ejected in the fifth inning after an altercation at second base. Leavitt, who had three hits and a pair of RBIs prior to his departure, sat out Sunday's game.

Wilson, who had two hits in his previous 25

at-bats, drove in four runs with three hits Saturday. He singled in the fourth inning, doubled to drive in two runs in the fifth, giving Cal Poly its 6-2 lead, and hit a two-run home run in the seventh.

The round-tripper, Wilson's second of the year, was the 16th of his Mustang career, moving him into a tie for 10th place with John Orton and Taber Maier on Cal Poly's career home runs list.

Herbert added two hits, both doubles, and an RBI while designated hitter Josh Mayo belted a two-run home run in the sixth inning for the Mustangs.

Nick Doan (0-1), Cal Poly's fourth of five pitchers, suffered the loss. Starter Josh Kougl allowed two runs and six hits in three innings while Nolan Moser gave up four runs and four hits in four innings before running into trouble in the eighth.

On Friday, Chavarria drove in four runs with three hits and right-hander Tyler Fitch pitched eight strong innings as Cal Poly beat Santa Clara 11-3 in the series opener.

Chavarria hit a solo home run in the fourth inning, his second round-tripper of the season. He added an RBI double in the fifth inning and

a two-run single in the eighth, going 3-for-5.

Shortstop Scott Anderson singled three times while leftfielder Pat Breen had two hits, including a two-run homer off the parking structure in the eighth inning that broke the game open for the Mustangs.

Fitch (3-2) allowed two runs and seven hits in eight innings of work on the mound, striking out six and walking one. It was the first win for Fitch in four weeks.

Cal Poly collected 12 hits off four Santa Clara pitchers.

The Mustangs led all the way, scoring twice in the first inning on a two-out error. Chavarria's home run in the fourth made it 3-1 and the Mustangs added two more in the fifth on a throwing error and Chavarria's double.

Cal Poly broke the game open with a six-run eighth-inning rally highlighted by Breen's two-run home run, an RBI single by Leavitt and Chavarria's two-run single. Cal Poly did all the damage with two outs.

"It was a well-played game in all areas for us," Cal Poly head coach Larry Lee said. "It was our best game of execution this year, but there is room for more improvement."

"Fitch was dialed in," Lee added. "He threw some of his best pitches from the sixth inning on and we played very good defense behind him."

Fitch threw 97 pitches, 65 of them for strikes.

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defeating Stanford's Nathan Peterson and Oregon's Martin Mitchell.

Nate Ybarra earned a bid to the NCAAs with an 8-3 win over top-seeded Jason Harless of Oregon in the 133-pound division. He finished fourth in the division.

Matt Cox punched his ticket to Kansas City with a third-place finish in the 149-pound division. Cox defeated Oregon State's Tony Hook and UC Davis' Nick Davis.

David Schenk will make his third appearance in the NCAA Championships with a third place finish in the 197-pound division. He defeated both Randy Davidson of Portland State and Landon Seefeldt of Cal State Fullerton.

Mustang heavyweight Dan Howe is also headed to Kansas City after defeating Chad Troxler of Cal State Bakersfield to claim fourth place.

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an RBI single coupled with a Green error that brought another run in. Nevada would add two more runs in the fourth, one scored on a Carrie Schubert error.

Cal Poly scored in the bottom of the fourth on a Schubert single to score Roni Sparrey and threatened to tie the game in the bottom of the seventh when Sparrey tripled to score Gemma Dalena and Chelsy Stoufer hit a sacrifice fly to score Sparrey. However, on the next play, Ballard grounded out to end the game.

The Mustangs next travel to Fresno for Hendrick Hallowell's Chevrolet Classic, beginning on Thursday.

Women's Soccer

Mustangs sign five new recruits for 2003 season

CAL POLY SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

The Cal Poly Department of Intercollegiate Athletics has announced the signing of Kelsey Carroll, Taryn Flamson, Heidi McQuitty, Jessica

Murray and Erin Novak to enroll and participate in intercollegiate women's soccer at the university.

Director of Athletics John McCutcheon and head coach Alex Crozier made the announcement Monday.

KELSEY CARROLL, Forward, 5-7, Santa Margarita Catholic High School, Mission Viejo

Participating in soccer, track and field and basketball at Santa Margarita Catholic High School, Kelsey Carroll was a member of one Serra League soccer championship team and one track and field league championship team. In 2000, she was named the Eagles' most valuable offensive player in soccer and named most promising on the track team. In 2002, she was named the basketball team's most valuable player.

TARYN FLAMSON, Midfielder, 5-7, Newport Harbor High School, Newport Beach

The sister of 2002 Cal Poly All-American Brooke Flamson, Taryn Flamson was a four-year starter for the Sailors of Newport Harbor High School. She garnered all-league selections in her sophomore and junior seasons and was named Seaview League MVP her sophomore year. She was named to the honor roll at Newport Harbor three years.

HEIDI MCQUITTY, Midfielder, 5-8, Santa Ynez Valley Union High School, Solvang

Lettering in both soccer and basketball at Santa Ynez Valley Union High School, Heidi McQuitty was named Los Padres League basketball co-MVP for the 2003 season. The all-around athlete received the "Chairman of the Boards" award in 2002, leading the league in assists and rebounding and garnering a league honorable mention. Outside of school, McQuitty played club soccer for the California Legends.

JESSICA MURRAY, Goalkeeper, 5-9, Union Mine High School, Placerville

A four-year starter at goalkeeper for the Diamondbacks, Jessica Murray was a member of two Sierra Valley Conference championship teams. She was a first-team all-league selection in 2001 and 2002 and won the Coach's Choice Award in 2000, 2001 and 2002. She was selected to the all-star games at the Santa Clara University and Stanford University soccer camps.

ERIN NOVAK, Forward, 5-1, Edison High School, Huntington Beach

A junior college transfer from Golden West College, Erin Novak lettered in soccer and track at Edison High School all four years. She was named to the all-Sunset League second team in the 1997-98 season. Novak also attended Cal State Northridge prior to her commitment to Cal Poly.

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Women's Tennis

Singles play keys victory at UCSB

CAL POLY SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

SANTA BARBARA — The Cal Poly women's tennis team defeated Central Coast rival UC Santa Barbara 4-3 in a dual match Thursday at the Gaucho Tennis Courts. After losing the doubles point, the Mustangs came back and won four singles matches to take the team win.

In doubles, the Mustangs' Chelsy Thompson and Kristin Grady paired up at No. 3 doubles to defeat Jen Kuhle and Amy Vyhnis, 8-2. The Gauchos won at No. 1 and No. 2 doubles to take the doubles point.

In singles action, Samantha Waller led the Mustangs from the No. 2 position by defeating Marielle Gruenig, 6-0, 2-6, 6-4. Kristin Grady captured a win over Leslie Damion at the No. 4 position, 6-2, 6-2. At No. 5 singles, Sheila Lewis defeated Lindsey Butterwick in three sets, 6-3, 0-6, 6-2. Finally, at No. 6 singles, Kate Romm came from behind to defeat Jen Kuhle, also in three sets, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

The Mustang women improve their record to 7-4 overall and are now 2-0 in Big West Conference action. Up next for the women's tennis team is a two-match road trip at UC Davis on Friday at 1:30 p.m. and Pacific on Saturday at 1 p.m.

Softball

Mustangs, Nevada split doubleheader

CAL POLY SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

SAN LUIS OBISPO — The Cal Poly softball team split a doubleheader with Nevada Sunday afternoon at Bob Janssen Field. The Mustangs took game one, 2-1, before losing game two, 4-3. Cal Poly is now 13-13 on the season, while Nevada is 8-8.

The doubleheader marked the second and third times the Mustangs and Wolfpack have clashed. Earlier in the season, Nevada defeated Cal Poly 7-0. The two teams will meet again for a doubleheader on March 25 in Reno.

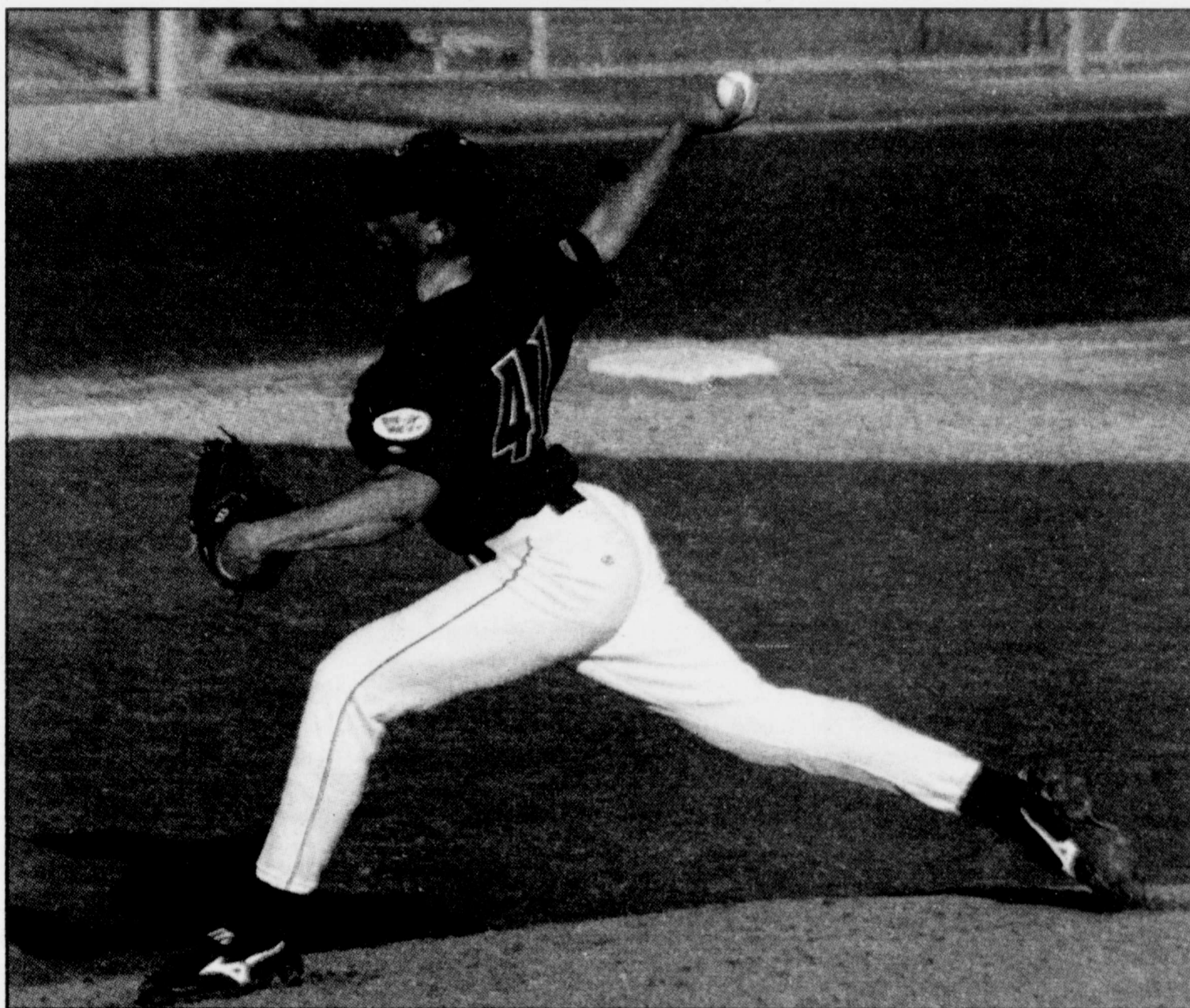
In game one, Cal Poly scored first in the bottom of the second inning when Amy Jo Nazarens singled to score Stephanie Payan. While the Wolfpack responded in the top of the third on a Brittany Lorenzen RBI single, the Mustangs regained the lead in the bottom of the fifth, when Holly Ballard singled to score Chelsea Green.

Jamie Gelbart picked up her fourth win of the season, going the distance allowing one run on three hits and striking out five batters. Candace Rainwater picked up the loss.

In game two, Nevada jumped out to the early lead when Lorenzen hit

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Cal Poly Baseball



FILE PHOTO/MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly pitcher Dennis LeDuc picked up his first save of the season Sunday in the Mustangs' 9-6 win against host Santa Clara. Cal Poly won two of three games from the Broncos last weekend.

Offensive barrage

CAL POLY SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

SANTA CLARA — Junior center fielder Sam Herbert hit his first two home runs as a Mustang and junior catcher Cory Taillon added three hits as Cal Poly defeated Santa Clara 9-6

in a non-conference baseball game Sunday at Buck Shaw Stadium.

With the win, Cal Poly took the three-game series against the Broncos two games to one and improved to 9-8 on the year. Santa Clara fell to 8-

11. Herbert belted a grand slam in the second inning to erase an early 1-0 Santa Clara lead. It was his first home run in three seasons at Cal Poly. But

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Pac-10 Wrestling Championships

Mustangs settle for 4th

CAL POLY SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

BOISE, Idaho — Ryan Halsey won the 184-pound division title, leading a group of six Cal Poly wrestlers placing in the top four of their respective weight classes as the Mustangs finished fourth at the Pac-10 Wrestling Championships Monday at the Boise State University Pavilion.

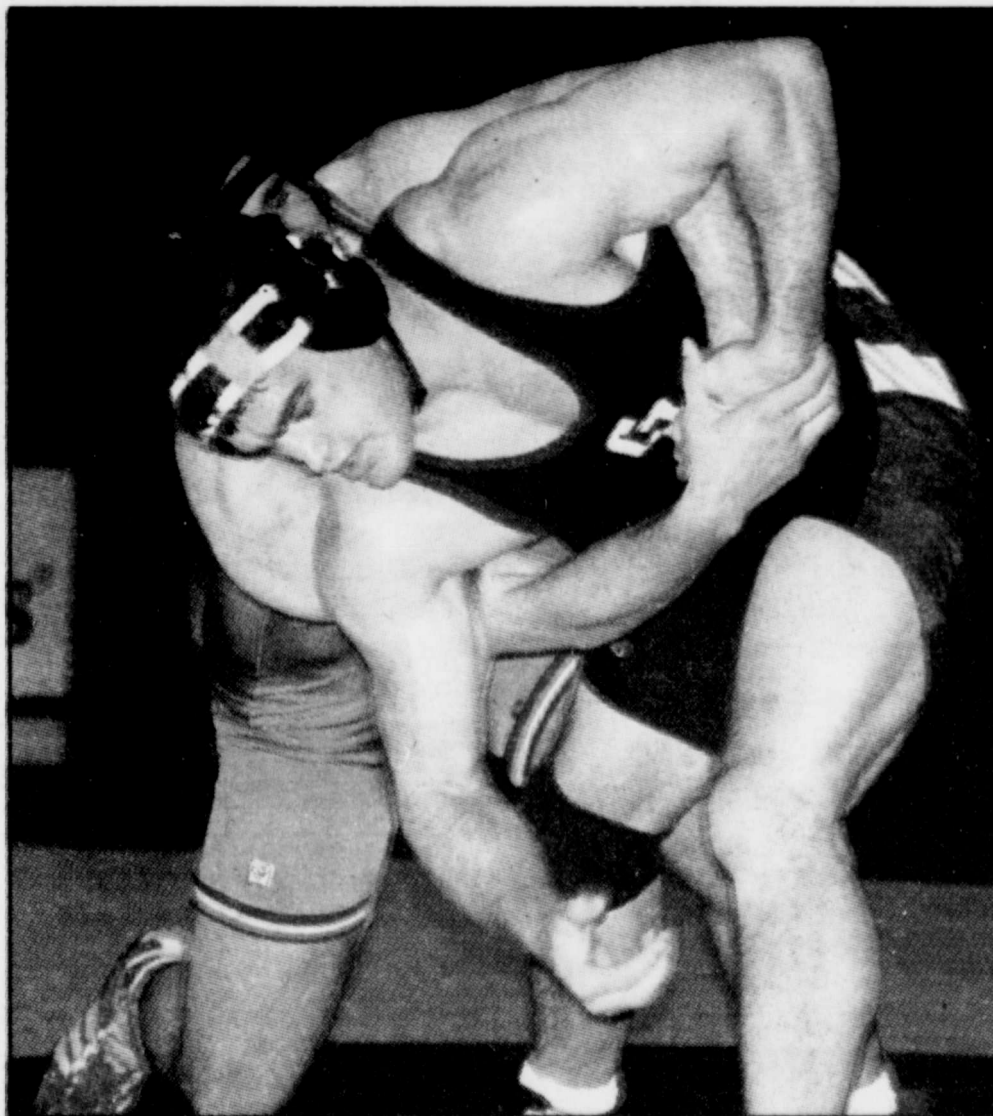
The six Mustangs all earned berths in the NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships, to be held Mar. 20-22 at Kemper Arena in Kansas City, Mo. The six qualifiers are the most Cal Poly has sent to the Division I Championships since 1976, when 10 Mustangs made the trip to the national championships.

The Mustangs garnered 73.5 team points. Arizona State won the team title with 134 points.

Halsey pinned Jed Pennell of Oregon State 1:22 into the championship match. The win gave the red-shirt freshman the Pac-10 title and a berth in the NCAA Championships. Halsey is now the seventh Mustang to win a Pac-10 title in the last six years.

Vic Moreno also secured a bid to the NCAA Championships by placing third in the 125-pound division,

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FILE PHOTO/MUSTANG DAILY

Cal Poly's David Schenk will make his third appearance in the NCAA Championships after finishing third in the 197-pound division. He defeated a pair of Pac-10 opponents in the loser's bracket.

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE	11
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MEN'S BASKETBALL	sat., mar. 8, 7 p.m.
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W. BASKETBALL	sat., mar. 8, 7 p.m.
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What was Woody Harrelson's name in "White Men Can't Jump"?
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